

acrylate-methacrylic acid copolymer, or methacrylate-methacrylic acid-octyl acrylate copolymer, or a mixture thereof.

20 (new). A tablet according to claim 19 wherein the enteric polymer coating is a methacrylic acid – methacrylate copolymer.

21 (new). A tablet according to Claim 7 wherein the enteric polymer further comprises a plasticiser.

22 (new). A tablet according to Claim 7 wherein the enteric polymer further comprises an anti-foaming agent.

23 (new). A tablet according to Claim 7 wherein the enteric polymer further comprises an anti-tack agent.

24 (new). A tablet according to Claim 16 wherein the amoxycillin is amoxycillin trihydrate.

25 (new). A tablet according to Claim 16 wherein the clavulanate is potassium clavulanate.

26 (new). A tablet according to Claim 8 wherein the sub-coat is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.

27 (new). A tablet according to Claim 9 wherein the over-coat is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose, or a co-polymer of methacrylic acid and methyl methacrylate.

28 (new). A tablet according to Claim 16 wherein the casing layer is coated with a top coat.

29 (new). A tablet according to Claim 28 wherein the top coat is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.

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30 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 16 wherein the total weight of amoxycillin is from 25 to 75% in the central core.

31 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 16 wherein the total weight of amoxycillin is from 50 to 75% in the central core.

32 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 16 wherein the total weight of amoxycillin is from 75 to 25% in the casing layer.

33 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 16 wherein the total weight of amoxycillin is from 50 to 25% in the casing layer.

34 (new). A tablet formulation for oral administration comprising amoxycillin and clavulanate in a ratio of 30:1 to 1:1 in which a portion of the amoxycillin and all of the clavulanate is in a central core which is surrounded by a release-retarding coating layer and the remainder of the amoxycillin is in a casing layer surrounding the core, such that there is an initial quick release of amoxycillin and clavulanate from the casing layer and a delayed release of amoxycillin and clavulanate from the core.

35 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 34 wherein the total weight of amoxycillin is from 25 to 75% in the central core.

36 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 34 wherein the total weight of amoxycillin is from 50 to 75% in the central core.

37 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 34 wherein the total weight of amoxycillin is from 75 to 25% in the casing layer.

38 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 34 wherein the total weight of amoxycillin is from 50 to 25% in the casing layer.

39 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 34 wherein the release retarding coating is an enteric polymer.

40 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 39 further comprising one or more sub-coats beneath the release retarding coating layer.

41 (new) A tablet according to Claim 40 wherein the sub-coat is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.

42 (new). A tablet formulation according to Claim 34 further comprising one or more over-coats above the release retarding coating layer.

43 (new). A tablet according to Claim 42 wherein the over-coat is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose, or a co-polymer of methacrylic acid and methyl methacrylate.

44 (new). A tablet according to Claim 34 wherein the casing layer is coated with a top coat.

45 (new). A tablet according to Claim 44 wherein the top coat is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.

46 (new). A tablet according to Claim 45 wherein the enteric polymer is cellulose acetate phthalate, cellulose acetate succinate, methylcellulose phthalate, ethylhydroxycellulose phthalate, polyvinylacetatephthalate, polyvinylbutyrate acetate, vinyl acetate-maleic anhydride copolymer, styrene-maleic mono-ester copolymer, methyl acrylate-methacrylic acid copolymer, or methacrylate-methacrylic acid-octyl acrylate copolymer, or a mixture thereof.

47 (new). A tablet according to claim 46 wherein the enteric polymer is a methacrylic acid – methacrylate copolymer.

48 (new). A tablet according to claim 39 wherein the enteric polymer further comprises a plasticiser.

49 (new). A tablet according to claim 39 wherein the enteric polymer further comprises an anti-foaming agent.

50 (new). A tablet according to Claim 39 wherein the enteric polymer further comprises an anti-tack agent.

51 (new). A tablet according to Claim 34 wherein the amoxycillin is amoxycillin trihydrate.